DDA Housing SCAM

†2403. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have restored the services of some of the officials who were suspended due to their involvement in the DDA's housing scam;

(b) whether it is a fact that action was taken only against the junior officials while no action was taken against the higher officials; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and why services of such suspended officials have been restored without getting clearance from CBI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) to (c) On the basis of a prima facie enquiry by DDA and also on the basis of report of CBI and Crime Branch of Delhi Police regarding alleged irregularities in restoration of flats in SFS and EHS Schemes, respectively, the DDA had suspended 15 officials so far. The cases are under investigation of the Crime Branch of Delhi Police and CBI. As some of the suspended officials made representations for reinstatement, the matter was referred to the CBI for comments/status of investigation. On receipt of CBI report, the matter regarding reinstatement was referred to the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC). The CVC advised that since it is an administrative matter, the competent authority may take a decision. Keeping all the facts in view, the disciplinary authority of DDA decided to reinstate one of the suspended officials.

Timing of water supply in sector-II, R.K. Puram

†2404. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the timing of supply of water in Government quarters Sector-II, R.K. Puram;

(b) whether the timing of supply of water is 1.30 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. in the evening and 1.30 A.M. to 5.00 A.M. in the morning;

(c) if so, whether the said timing has been fixed keeping in view the convenience of the allottees;

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(d) if not, whether Government propose to change the above timings by 4.00 P.M. to 8.00 P.M. in the evening and from 5.00 A.M. to 9.00 A.M. in the morning; and

(e) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Delhi Jal Board has reported that timings for supply of water in Sector II, R. K. Puram are as follows:—

(i) Quarter Nos. 1260 to 1360.	—	01.30 A.M. to 5.00 A.M. 01.30 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.
(ii) Remaining quarters.	—	5.00 A.M. to 6.30 A.M. 5.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

(b) Yes, Sir. In respect of Quarter Nos. 1260 to 1360 only.

(c) to (e) The timings of supply has been fixed due to tenchnical reasons of serving from different sources so as to ensure the availability of water to these flats which are situated at the tail end of the main system.

Status of anti-poverty programmes in the country

2405. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of anti-poverty programmes and schemes in different cities of the country;

(b) whether any review with regard to the said schemes has been made;

(c) whether Government propose to spend more funds during the current financial years; and

(d) if so, the details of funds allocated for various anti-poverty schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) The Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation has been implementing through the State Governments/UTs, a Centrally Sponsored Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme named Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), with effect from 1.12.1997 with a view to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed or under-employment